STATE OF WASHINGTON OFFICE OF FINANCIAL MANAGEMENT SOLE SOURCE ADVERTISEMENT

The Office of Financial Management (OFM) contemplates awarding a sole source contract to Ross & Associates for a 10-month period to provide consultation regarding option needed to replace the benefits resulting from the removal of the four Lower Snake River Dams. OFM reserves the right to extend this agreement for three (3) one-year terms.

Contractor will:

- Review publicly available information sources related to LSRD removal or breaching and associated mitigation.
- Consult designated state and federal experts, stakeholders and tribes to update and develop as necessary costs estimates to remove and mitigate for the removal of the Lower Snake River Dams.
- Engage stakeholders, tribes, and federal agencies in development and review of the report.
- Facilitate meetings with stakeholders and assist with tribal consultation.
- Review public comment and prepare a final report.

The State is compelled to seek a sole source contract with Ross Strategic for the following reasons:

- Contractor completed a <u>Lower Snake River Dams Stakeholder Engagement</u>
 <u>Report</u> for the Governor's Office in March 2020. The information in this
 report will help provide the foundation for this new analysis.
- The work conducted with the previous report provides the Contractor with a
 deep subject-matter knowledge, as well as a relationship and history with
 stakeholders and tribes which will help play a critical role in developing and
 completing the report.

The contract will be issued on or about December 6, 2021.

Vendors who believe they possess the same experience and capabilities, and meet the same requirements as Ross & Associates, are invited to submit capability statements detailing their ability to meet the state's requirements within five (5) business days of this announcement. In the absence of other qualified sources, it is the State's intent to make a sole source award of the contract.

For more information, contact:

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A copy of the contract can be obtained by emailing publicdisclosure@ofm.wa.gov. Please include the following in the Subject Line: Sole Source Contract #K3563 Record Request.